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SUBJECT: 32ND UNGA: BELIZE

1. THE SECRETARIAT HAS CIRCULATED AS A/32/350 A NOTE VERBALE FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF GUATEMALA, ANNEXED TO WHICH IS A TELEGRAM FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE PROGRESSIVE TOLEDO PARTY OF BELIZE TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FOURTH COMMITTEE. THE NOTE VERBALE RECAPITULATES THE ANNEXED TELEGRAM (SEE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH) AND "APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO INTERCEDE PERSONALLY WITH THE BRITISH GOVERNOR OF BELIZE AND REQUEST THAT AN END BE PUT TO THE ACTS THAT ARE BEING COMMITTED AGAINST MR. MARTINEZ."

2. THE TELEGRAM REPORTS THE SEIZURE OF ANTONIO MARTINEZ, PRESIDENT OF THE TOLEDO PROGRESSIVE PARTY ON NOVEMBER 15 ON HIS ARRIVAL AT PUNTO GORDA AND DESCRIBES IT AS AN "UNLAWFUL AND REPREHENSIBLE ACT CONSTITUTING AN INFRINGEMENT OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE BELIZEAN PEOPLE, IN THE ARREST OF ANTONIO MARTINEZ, WHEN HIS ONLY CRIME WAS TO HAVE SPOKEN IN THE FOURTH COMMITTEE....AND REVEALED

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TRUTHS WHICH MR. PRICE DID NOT WISH TO BE KNOWN IN THIS WORLD FORUM."

3. THE SECRETARIAT HAS ALSO CIRCULATED A UK REPLY (A/32/365) WHICH DESCRIBES THE TELEGRAM AS CONTAINING VARIOUS INACCURACIES AND DISTORTIONS. THE UK LETTER NOTES THAT MR. MARTINEZ IS NEITHER UNDER ARREST NOR IN

DETENTION AND DENIES THAT HE WAS "SEIZED" WHEN HE
ARRIVED IN PUNTA GORDA ON 16 NOVEMBER (VICE 15 NOVEMBER).
THE LETTER CONCLUDES THAT "THE SECRETARY GENERAL MAY BE
ASSURED THAT THE BELIZEAN AUTHORITIES ARE NOT TAKING
ACTION AGAINST ANY ONE OF THE THREE PETITIONERS TO THE
FOURTH COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE QUESTION
OF BELIZE ON ACCOUNT OF STATEMENTS MADE IN THAT FORUM.
PUBLIC OPINION IN THE DISTRICT OF TOLEDO HAS BEEN OUT-
RAGED BY THE STATEMENTS MADE BY THE PETITIONERS IN NEW
YORK AND FEELING AGAINST THEM IS RUNNING HIGH. EVERY
PRECAUTION TO PROTECT THE PETITIONERS IS BEING
TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BELIZE."
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